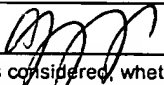
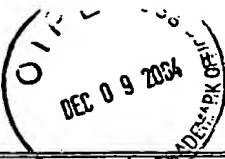


SHEET 1 OF 1

Form PTO 1449 (Modified)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY DOCKET NO. 211463US0PCT		SERIAL NO. 09/913,721	
LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT				APPLICANT Yoshio HIRAKI et al			
				FILING DATE August 17, 2001		GROUP 1617	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA						
	AB						
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						
	AL						
	AM						
	AN						
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION YES NO		
	AO	WO 98/14167	04/09/98	WIPO			
	AP	WO 96/31194	10/10/96	WIPO			
	AQ	0 834 301	04/08/98	EPO			
	AR						
	AS						
	AT						
	AU						
	AV						
OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)							
	AW						
	AX						
	AY						
	AZ					<input type="checkbox"/> Additional References sheet(s) attached	
Examiner 					Date Considered 3/23/05		
*Examiner: Initial if reference is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							



Form PTO 1449  
(Modified)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION DOCKET NO.

211463US0PCT

SERIAL NO.

09/913,721

LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT

APPLICANT

Yoshio HIRAKI, et al.

FILING DATE

August 17, 2001

GROUP

1617

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
mm	AA	5,643,587	07/01/1997	SCANCARELLA, et al. (corresponds JP 10-29929)			
	AB						
	AC						
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						
	AL						
	AM						
	AN						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION	
					YES	NO
mm	AO	JP-3-118312	05/20/1991	JAPAN (with English Abstract)	x	
	AP	JP-7-118134	05/09/1995	JAPAN (with English Abstract)	x	
	AQ	JP-8-225439	09/03/1996	JAPAN (with English Abstract) (corresponds to EP 0721775 A2)	x	
	AR	JP-10-29929	02/03/1998	JAPAN (With English Abstract) ( corresponds to U.S. Patent 5,643,587)	x	
	AS	EP-0721775A2	07/17/1992	European (corresponds to JP 8-225439)		
	AT					
	AU					
	AV					

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	AW	
	AX	
	AY	
	AZ	

☐ Additional References sheet(s) attached

Examiner

mm

Date Considered

3/23/05

\*Examiner: Initial if reference is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.